

Dear Paul,

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Thanks for the mailing that came today. In a few moments before supper I started going through it. When I came to page 4 of the Guide it seemed to me that Item 76 may be one of the records I'm looking for. ^{this} is only so I won't forget. When I can I'll see if I can locate those CIA records. I know where I had them but some college girls did some shifting and I've not seen them since. If I do not find them I'll ask you for a copy.

The real reason I write is because if that is the record I'm looking for from the content it is not Derjabin and I think it may be Anatoli M. Golitsyn. I also think that some years ago the CIA sicced him on me. He phoned me a number of times, or at least the man I think is G did, using the name "Mr. Martin," and finally we arranged to meet when I had to be in Rockville. What a torch/hatred he had for Nosenko and his purpose in all those calls and this meeting was to tell me how bad and undependable Nosenko is.

What made me wonder to begin with is how in the world he could know of ^{me or} my interest in Nosenko. By then I'd made a request of the CIA but I'd published nothing at all on Nosenko.

If 76 is the record I have in mind it is quite unlike what Derjabin told the FBI in the CD you cite. What I recall is so wild it is irrational. And it says the USSR offered JFK, which De_o says it did not.

8/5 I located those records without difficulty and, because the student had done exactly what I'd told her to do, it was not too much trouble to locate 76. Each of the releases I have is in a separate file folder identified with the CIA's number. 76 appears to be what I was looking for.

Its author begins, "we should understand that my comments which follow are not based solely on the thesis that OSWALD was specifically dispatched to murder our President." What we know is attributed to Derjabin, I think CD 47 and my file copy from an FBI file, section 47, probably 105-82555 but this duplicate does not so say, page 41, "DERJABIN does not believe that the Soviet Government had any knowledge of OSWALD's plans to assassinate President Kennedy."

What next follows is something I've been asking Jim and Bud about and did get something in response, "he said the Soviet Government undoubtedly ~~has a file on the~~ has a file on the Oswald and it should be requested to furnish information regarding OSWALD's activities while in the Soviet Union."

Reasonable, and the CIA drafted questions. Very unreasonably, even insultingly. Why would they do that, do what they knew would turn any government off? Jim may have sent me the draft of those questions. They are somewhere in my office and right now I don't want to search for them.

I went through your quick index after beginning this yesterday, marked what I want to check, and do not remember that these questions are identified. Can you refer me to them or can you refer me to more information on either of these things?

I'm glad you included the State file on Ron Kessler's request. I'm fairly confident that there are disclosed CIA records relevant to that not included in the State records. Separately, regarding Alvarado Ugarte, I'm sure there are other CIA records disclosed. I then was not in a position to make copies for subject filing. In any event, I do not recall that Kessler reported how close to starting World War II that paragonically cold warrior Mann was. What I think I remember, and I tell you this in part because in today's context you may know a reporter who might be interested, is that the CIA got scared when Mann bypassed it in going to the White House and it then ordered the Mexico City station to break Alvarado down. ^{Mann's} attitude is reflected in the records Kessler got.

I remembered where some of the records I refer to above are and in them Helms' 1/21/64 letter to Rankin encloses Draft Questions for Submission to the Government of the Soviet Union, CIA No. 489-196A, three plus legal-sized pages. 513-199(?)B is the Slawson memo saying that State feared using the CIA's questions. I used these and the Golitsyn(?) commentary in a lawsuit. The Derjabin report quoted above, also used in it, is by WFO and is in the file I indicated as Serial 1079.

If the State comments on the CIA's draft of questions is disclosed, can you refer me to it or perhaps send a copy?

I've marked all the references to Sylvia Duran in the index and will check them. I am particularly interest in a message from CIAHQ telling the stations to try to see to it that the Mexican cops do not beat her up again. My paraphrase.

Again thanks. Hope all is well with all of you.